

Amendments to the Claims

This list of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently amended) A cage for inclined ball bearings, comprising:

ball pockets which are adjacent to one another and are delimited from one another by at least one side wall and by at least one side rim, the side wall and the side rim connecting webs, which lie opposite one another on a circumferential side, the side wall having an approximately uniform wall thickness and being arched at least in an axial direction, starting from the webs and the side rim, which has a uniform radial thickness, running on the circumferential side delimiting the ball pockets axially opposite the side wall; and

elastically resilient retaining lugs protruding at a linearly inclined angle from the webs that widen toward a unitary end and are adjacent to each other on the circumferential side, each of the retaining lugs being separated on the circumferential side from a further retaining lug by a circumferential gap,

wherein the retaining lugs are provided with flanks, which extend linearly, pointing in opposite directions on the circumferential side, and are linearly inclined toward one another.

2. (Previously Presented) The cage as claimed in claim 1, wherein each of the flanks is described by at least one straight body edge, the body edge being inclined by an

angle with respect to an imaginary plane, the plane emanating from the rotational axis of the cage and being aligned with the rotational axis in the axial direction of the cage.

3. (Previously Presented) The cage as claimed in claim 2, wherein each of the flanks is inclined with respect to a straight line which is imaginary and intersects the rotational axis.
4. (Previously Presented) The cage as claimed in claim 2, wherein the circumferential spacing of two flanks which face away from one another on a retaining lug increases with decreasing radial distance from the rotational axis.
5. (Previously Presented) The cage as claimed in claim 2, wherein the flanks are flat faces, the faces being inclined at an acute angle with respect to one another.
6. (Previously Presented) The cage as claimed in claim 1, wherein the retaining lugs protrude from face sections on the webs, the face sections facing the rotational axis.
7. (Canceled)
8. (Previously Presented) The cage as claimed in claim 1, wherein the retaining lugs protrude the furthest in the axial direction at most as much as the side walls protrude the furthest in the axial direction, starting from the web.

9. (Canceled)
10. (Previously Presented) The cage as claimed in claim 1, wherein the smallest radial spacing of the side rim from the rotational axis of the cage is greater than the greatest radial spacing of the side walls from the rotational axis.